

Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election appears to be clear violation of federal election laws. I sincerely believe that showing this documentary cannot be justified as "news" coverage because, from what I have read, it sounds like a thinly-veiled smear campaign.

Because Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, it is obligated by law to serve the public interest. It also must give the candidates equal airtime. Unless it shows a pro-Kerry documentary very soon after this documentary, then Sinclair is in violation of election laws and deserves to have its license revoked. I strongly believe that Sinclair is not serving the public interest.

Sinclair's actions show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. Thank you.